Block Board since the date of the President's complaint and up to the 15th January 1926?

(*e*) Considering the fact that the collection of arrears for 1099 has been pending for nearly a year and a half, will the Government be pleased to state how long the Block Board should yet wait for closing their accounts for 1099 and what additional period will be required by the Tahsildar of Agastisvaram to collect and remit to the Block Board the balance of the arrears for 1099?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Strict instructions have been issued to the revenue officers that they should heartily help the Boards in every way and see that the amounts of cess are collected promptly. A monthly statement of demand, collection and balance has also been prescribed and the Land Revenue Commissioner has been requested to review the same as he does the D. C. B. statements of land revenue.

(*d*) Rs. 16 Chs. 15 C. 12.

(*e*) The Tahsildars have stringent orders in the matter and every endeavour is being made to collect the arrears with the least delay possible. The Government are not in a position to say beforehand by what period the arrears will be fully collected.

MR. M. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to make further enquiries on the basis of my statement that the answer to part (*b*) is not correct and that the amount that was remitted was only Rs. 4-Chs. 6-C. 2 and not Rs. 16-Chs. 15-C. 12.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Government will make further enquiries about it.

Collection of Arrears due to the Terur Kulam Irrigation Block Board for 1100.

316. **MR. M. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI** (*Agastisvaram*): Will Government be pleased to state whether the Tahsildar of Agastisvaram taluk has received from the President of the Terur Kulam Irrigation Board a list of the arrears of the Block Board dues for the year 1100, and if so,

(i) the total amount of arrears required to be collected according to such list;

(ii) the date on which the list was received by the Tahsildar;

(iii) the amount of such arrears collected up to date by the revenue authorities; and

(iv) the amount of such collections remitted hitherto to the Block Board?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The list referred to by the Member has been received by the Tahsildar, Agastisvaram. The information required under the various heads is given below:

(i) Rs. 443-Chs. 22-Cash 9.

(ii) 23rd Kanni 1101.

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(iii) Rs. 178 Chs. 9 Cash 15.
(iv) Rs. 149 Chs. 7 Cash 8.

Election of Vice-President in the Kottayam Municipality.

317. **MR. K. K. THOMAS** (*Kottayam*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(i) the length of time during which the Vice-Presidentship of the Kottayam Municipal Council was vacant;

(ii) whether Mr. P. K. Kuriyan has not been elected by the Council as its Vice-President; and

(iii) whether the President has reported the fact to the Government and requested them to have the election approved and the same notified in the *Government Gazette*, and if so, when?

(*b*) Have any reminders been received about this from the President? If so, how many?

(*c*) Have the Government approved the election?

(*d*) If so, has the fact been notified in the *Government Gazette* as required?

(*e*) If not, will they be pleased to have the same notified in the *Government Gazette* at an early date?

(*f*) Are the Government aware that the affairs of the Municipality are likely to suffer for want of the Vice-President when the President is out of station?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) (i) Five months from the 24th August 1925 to the 26th January 1926.

(ii) Yes.

(iii) Yes, the same day, after the election was over.

(*b*) Yes, two.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) In view of the answer to part (*d*) above, the question does not arise.

(*f*) The affairs of the Kottayam Municipal Council are not likely to suffer since there is a senior official councillor nominated by the Government who is to be in charge of the President's duties during his absence.

Anchal Motor Service.

318. **MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(i) when and where the Anchal Motor Service first began in Travancore;

(ii) the persons who had contracted to run such service in the several places from the time of its institution up to date; and

(iii) the period of each contract?

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